TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL MEMORANDUM

HB 2355 – SB 2217

February 13, 2012

SUMMARY OF AMENDMENT (012786): Exempts the General Assembly from the requirement that surplus personal property be disposed of by the Department of General Services (TDGS). Authorizes the General Assembly to dispose of surplus personal property so long as disposals are made in a commercially reasonable manner. Requires the Joint Legislative Services Committee, with the approval of both Speakers, to develop guidelines for property disposal. Authorizes a member of the General Assembly to purchase office furniture, equipment, or other personal property for use in the home district legislative office of such member. Prohibits any state official or employee from purchasing surplus property from the General Assembly, except by bid at public or Internet auction using a personal computer on personal time, during the person's employment or for six months thereafter. Creates a Class A misdemeanor for violations.

FISCAL IMPACT OF ORIGINAL BILL:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

FISCAL IMPACT OF BILL WITH PROPOSED AMENDMENT:

Unchanged from the original fiscal note.

Assumptions applied to amendment:

- Based upon information provided by the TDGS, authorizing the General Assembly to dispose of its surplus property will not have a significant impact upon the Department.
- According to Legislative Administration, the minimal amount of revenue generated from the sale of surplus property will be offset by the expense of hiring a company to haul away the unusable surplus. Therefore, the fiscal impact will be not significant.
- There will not be a sufficient number of prosecutions for state or local government to experience any significant increase in revenue or expenditures.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Lucian D. Geise, Executive Director